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1. A report from sources other than source of reference report confirms production cuts planned by the Ministry of Machine Construction. The explanation may probably be found in the revision of the planned iron and steel production. Minister of Mining and Metallurgy Fritz Selbmann is in sharp disagreement with the yearly plans for future ferrous production, especially the production of pig iron in 1952-1953. Apparently, he has convinced Heinrich Rau, Chairman of the State Planning Commission, of the necessity to step up production or reduce the planned production of the machine construction industry and has proved that a production step-up is impossible. The difficulties at Eisenhuettenkombinat Ost, Fuerstenberg/O and Eisenhuettenkombinat West, Calbe, are partly responsible; coke and ore deliveries from Poland and Czechoslovakia are below estimates of the quantity and quality established in trade agreements.*

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